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Ms. Ida Boyd
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Dear Ms. Boyd:

I am returning to your office Mrs. Watts' letter to the President addressing polygraph usage by the Federal Government. It is my understanding that the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has Government-wide responsibility for the civilian personnel security and suitability program, and that OPM grants approvals to various Federal agencies permitting their use of polygraph examinations for such personnel screening purposes. For this reason, since Mrs. Watts' concern has to do with the Federal Government's use of polygraph examinations and not those conducted simply at the Central Intelligence Agency, I believe that OPM may be the more appropriate agency to prepare a response to Mrs. Watts.

Your cooperation in this matter is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

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